ANNOUNCEMENT/SCREENING INFORMATION REQUEST (SIR) Part 1 NATIONAL AIRSPACE SYSTEM (NAS) ENGINEERING AND SUPPORT SERVICES DTFAAC-12-R-00002 (A008)

Announcement/SIR-Request for Offer, DTFAAC-12-R-00002, with original post date of 15 Feb 2012 and all amendments thereafter (A001 – A006) are hereby rescinded and replaced in entirety with the following Announcement/SIR – Request for Offer, Part 1 for Factors 1 and 2, DTFAAC-12-R-00002 (A007).

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Mike Monroney Aeronautical Center (MMAC), Oklahoma City, OK has a requirement for the acquisition of Engineering and Support Services for the National Airspace System (NAS). The contractor shall provide a wide variety of appropriately skilled engineering, technical, and administration support personnel to perform hardware and software engineering services involved in the acquisition, restoration, maintenance, and modification of ground-based NAS equipment throughout the United States and overseas. Services shall be required to perform tasks in support of power, navigational aids, communications, surveillance, weather systems and applicable administrative functions as further defined in the Statement of Work (SOW) DRAFT, dated 26 April 2012, and attached as a separate document under this announcement/Screening Information Request (SIR) Part 1 for Factors 1 and 2. Contract management and personnel will be based primarily at the following locations: MMAC in Oklahoma City, OK; William J. Hughes Tech Center (Tech Center), Atlantic City, NJ; and the National Weather Service's Radar Operation Center (ROC), Norman, OK.

The contract Period of Performance is anticipated to be for a base period and four 1-year option periods to be exercised at the sole discretion of the Government. The proposed contract is estimated at \$436M. The contract type will be predominately Cost Plus Fixed Fee (CPFF) and will include a Firm Fixed Price (FFP) CLIN. In accordance with AMS Policy 3.2.3.3, Titled Preand Post-Award Audits, the contractor must demonstrate an acceptable accounting system for this cost-reimbursable contract type which will occur in SIR/Part 2 for factors 3-9.

This acquisition is set-aside exclusively for competitive award among nation-wide Socially and Economically Disadvantaged Businesses (SEDB)/8(a) that are expressly certified by the Small Business Administration (SBA) for participation in the SBA's 8(a) program. To be considered the vendor must be classified as a small business under the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) code 541330, Engineering Services (Military and Aerospace Equipment and Military Weapons), with a size standard of \$27.0M.

Should an 8(a) vendor intend to incorporate a teaming arrangement, the term "vendor" shall apply to the prime contractor.

In conjunction with the set-aside nature of the requirement, at least 50 percent of the cost of contract performance incurred for personnel shall be expended for employees of the prime contractor. This requirement is found in AMS Clause 3.6.1-7, Limitation on Subcontracting.

For this acquisition the Government contemplates a two-part approach. The first part involves this Announcement/SIR Part 1 for Factors 1 and 2 in order to permit companies that are certified under the 8(a) program an opportunity to express an interest in this requirement. Only those firms that respond successfully by meeting the eligibility requirements for this Announcement/SIR Part 1 for Factors 1 and 2 will be allowed to participate in the SIR Part 2 for Factors 3-9. This announcement serves to request submissions for SIR Part 1 for Factors 1 and 2 only.

Pursuant to the Technical Evaluation Plan for this requirement, this 2-Part acquisition process will involve evaluation of several areas to permit the FAA to select an offer that represents the overall best value to the FAA in accordance with the terms and conditions of the SIR.

Companies that are interested and can meet the eligibility requirements for the SIR Part 1 for Factors 1 and 2 are encouraged to provide specific information as to the unique capabilities brought to the performance of this requirement as it pertains to the eligibility requirements as noted for Factors 1 and 2. The information provided must be accurate and complete because it will be used to determine each vendor's eligibility to participate in the SIR Part 2 for Factors 3-9. Only those firms that are determined to meet the eligibility requirements to this Announcement/SIR Part 1 for Factors 1 and 2 will be eligible to participate in the SIR Part 2 for Factors 3-9.

SIR PART 1 for FACTORS 1-2

SIR Part 1 submissions evaluated for Factor 1 must be found "acceptable" before moving forward to evaluation for Factor 2. All submissions eligible for evaluation under Factor 2 will be evaluated and rated in accordance with evaluation criteria for Factor 2. A competitive range determination will be made using ratings established by Factor 2 as the criteria for inclusion in the competitive range. All submissions found "acceptable" for Factor 1 and meeting the competitive range for Factor 2 will be eligible to submit for the SIR Part 2 for Factors 3-9.

If Factor 1 is considered "unacceptable," the offeror's entire submission will be considered "unacceptable," and will be rejected from further consideration for both Factor 2 and the SIR Part 2 for Factors 3-9.

If the Contracting Officer determines that the number of proposals that would otherwise be in the competitive range exceeds the number at which an efficient competition can be conducted, the Contracting Officer <u>may</u> limit the number of proposals in the competitive range to the greatest number that will permit an efficient competition.

<u>ELIGIBILITY REQURIEMENTS for FACTOR 1:</u> <u>ENGINEERING CONTRACTS – Held previous/current engineering contract(s) on NAS systems and equipment or other Government agency systems and equipment of similar complexity.</u>

Minimum acceptability is demonstrated when the offeror submits documentation that verifies the company has/had a contract(s), within the last 7 years from the date responses are due for this SIR to provide engineering and technical support services on NAS systems and equipment; or other Government agency systems and equipment of similar complexity.

The offeror shall provide a list of contracts containing the following information:

- (i) Contract Number(s), period of performance, and contract type(s)
- (ii) Contracting agency or business (e.g. DOD, FAA, NASA, other Federal agency, etc.)
- (iii) Original contract(s) dollar value and final contract dollar value (including options)
- (iv) A brief description of the contract effort
- (v) Largest number of employees working under the contract
- (vi) Name, address, telephone, and FAX numbers of the Government Contracting Officer(s). For non-Government contracts, provide the name, address, telephone, and FAX numbers for the business point-

ELIGIBILITY REQURIEMENTS for FACTOR 2: ORGANIZATIONAL MANAGEMENT AND STAFFING

This factor will incorporate a 2-step evaluation and scoring process for factors 2(a) and 2(b). **Factor 2(a)** will effect a minimum requirement for the offeror to show whether they employed and managed 150 or more full-time employees simultaneously for a period of one year or more. A combination of total "employed and managed" employees may include personnel from both the Prime offeror and their subcontractor(s). The offeror shall submit documentation that includes, but is not limited to a spreadsheet that contains the following information for the Prime and subcontractor(s):

- (i) The annual period of performance to be considered for evaluation purposes that has occurred within the last three (3) years from the date responses are due for this SIR
- (ii) The contract numbers pertaining to the 1-year period noted in (i) above, and the name of the contractor that held each contract
- (iii) A list of employees, and dates of employment for each employee that worked on the contracts mentioned in (ii) above
- (iv) Name, address, telephone, and FAX numbers of the Government contracting officer(s) that administered each contract noted in (ii) above. For non-Government contracts, provide the name, address, telephone, and FAX numbers for the business point-of-contact or liaison.

Factor 2(b) will score the offeror based on the number of employees simultaneously employed and managed **exclusively** by the Prime contractor using the scale below:

Number of Employees	Score	
100% of 150 (150 or more employees)	5	◆
80% - 99% of the 150 (120 – 149 employees)	4	
60% - 79% of the 150 (90 – 119 employees)	3	
40% - 59% of the 150 (60 – 89 employees)	2	
20% - 39% of the 150 (30 – 59 employees)	1	
Below 20% of the 150 (0 – 29 employees)	0]

Example 1: An offeror submits documentation that shows a total of 200 employees were simultaneously employed and managed in accordance with the eligibility requirements noted in Factor 2(a). However, 180 of those employees are employed directly with a sub-contractor while only 20 are direct employees of the Prime. This would result in a "0" score based on the scoring chart above for "Below 20% of 150."

Example 2: An offeror submits documentation that shows a total of 200 employees were simultaneously employed and managed in accordance with the requirements noted in Factor 2(a). However, 20 of those employees are employed directly with a sub-contractor while 180 of those are direct employees of the Prime. This would result in a "5" score based on the scoring chart above for "100% of 150."

The FAA reserves the right to contact references and verify each vendor's information. Any statement included in a vendor's response that is verified by the FAA as either false or misleading will be cause for rejection.

BUSINESS DECLARATION FORM

Complete and return the attached Business Declaration Form. The form is provided as a separate document under this announcement. The FAA reserves the right to review and verify each offeror's program eligibility.

RESPONSE PREPARATION GUIDELINES

Offerors shall submit their response to this SIR Part 1 for Factor's 1 & 2 announcement in accordance with the following:

- Responses shall not exceed 25 (Cover letter/page, Table of Contents, Acronyms, Title Page, Business Declaration form, and 8(a) Certification will not count towards the 25page limitation.) A page equals 1 side of a sheet of a standard 8.5 x 11 inch paper.
 Page limits will be strictly enforced. Any submissions outside of these page limit parameters will not be considered.
- Font format and size shall be Times New Roman 12-Pitch (with exception of charts and graphs which may be submitted in 10-Pitch
- Contractors shall provide 1 original, 3 hard copies, and 1 electronic copy of the proposal on compact disc (Electronic copy shall be in Microsoft compatible files (i.e. Word, Excel, etc)
- Response shall be submitted as a single volume in accordance with the following:
 - Cover Page/Letter
 - Table of Contents
 - Acronyms
 - Title Page
 - Tab 1 Factor 1
 - Tab 2 Factor 2
 - Business Declaration

HOW TO RESPOND

Interested firms that can comply with and meet the eligibility requirements addressed in this Announcement/SIR Part 1 for Factors 1 and 2 shall respond with their documentation in writing to:

Federal Aviation Administration Mike Monroney Aeronautical Center NAS Contracting Division Attn: AMQ-210/Kathleen Islas Room 305, Multi-Purpose Building 6500 South MacArthur Blvd. P.O. Box 25082 Oklahoma City, OK 73125-4933

Note: For overnight mail the ZIP code is 73169

Offerors shall include two e-mail addresses for notification of results by letter for Factors 1 and 2.

Point of Contact for this announcement is Ms. Kathleen Islas, Contracting Specialist, Phone: 405-954-8534, Email: kathleen.d.islas@faa.gov.

The date and time for receipt of responses is Tuesday, 08 May 2012, 2:00 p.m. CST (Oklahoma time). Any responses received after that date and time will not be considered in accordance with AMS provision 3.2.2.3-14, Late Submissions, Modifications, and Withdrawals of Submittals. FACSIMILE AND E:MAIL RESPONSES ARE NOT PERMITTED. If all requested information is not furnished, the vendor's response may be determined unacceptable; therefore, not considered as one of the qualified companies. Oral or written communications with offerors during the screening process will be conducted if the FAA deems communication is necessary.

AMS Clause, 3.6.1-7, Limitation on Subcontracting, AMS Provision 3.2.2.3-14, Late Submissions, Modifications, and Withdrawals of Submittals, and AMS Provision 3.9.1-3, PROTEST, are applicable to this SIR PART 1.

The FAA does not commit to providing a response to any comment or question. No basis for a claim against the FAA shall arise as a result of this notice. This announcement should not be construed as a commitment or payment for information by the FAA for any purpose. Submissions will not be returned. Therefore any cost associated with an offeror's submission is solely at the interested offeror's expense. The FAA reserves the right to rescind and cancel this announcement at any time.

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